

## **Resolution Regarding Salmon Declines**

Whereas, salmon are considered a species of concern within the Gulf of the Farallones (and Cordell Bank) National Marine Sanctuary(ies); and

Whereas, our National Marine Sanctuaries are charged with maintaining sustainable ecosystems within their boundaries; and

Whereas, recent unprecedented declines in salmon stocks have affected Sanctuary resources and local economies; and

Whereas, salmon are a cornerstone of local economies and ecosystems throughout our region; and

Whereas, many factors have contributed to the documented declines in salmon populations; and

Therefore, be it resolved that the Gulf of the Farallones (and Cordell Bank) National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council(s) hereby convey their concern over salmon declines to the appropriate agencies of jurisdiction; and

Be it further resolved, that the Gulf of the Farallones (and Cordell Bank) National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council(s) hereby encourage salmon restoration measures based on sound, peer-reviewed science to be applied at the earliest possible opportunity by the agencies of jurisdiction as needed to restore salmon runs in our region; and

Be it further resolved that the GFNMS (and CBNMS) use every opportunity to educate the public about the importance of the San Francisco Bay-Delta Estuary to the waters and the living resources of the GFNMS (CBNMS).